

Hurricane Season is back...are you and your Association Ready?

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With one named storm already behind us before Hurricane Season even began, it's time to make sure that you and your condominium or homeowner association are ready for the next one. Here are a few suggestions:

- Make sure your insurance policies are up-to-date. Have electronic access to your policy or keep a copy in a safe place along with other important documents you may need in the event of a storm, and be ready to bring those documents with you if you need to evacuate.
- ➤ Keep your contacts up-to-date. Whether an owner of a home or condominium or a manager or board member of an association, be sure you have contact information for other owners, insurance agents, local emergency management and law enforcement and local utilities. Does your association have a website or email list to communicate with all owners?
- Does your association manager have a key or other way to access your residence in an emergency? Do you have a neighbor or home watch person ready to check on your unit if you are gone for the summer?
- Does your association have a policy in place to keep your association operating so it can take quick and effective, legal action in the event of a storm?
- > Is your generator ready and hurricane protection, such as shutters, ready and in working order?
- Do you have an emergency or evacuation plan and all emergency supplies?
- Check government resources for more hurricane preparedness tips National Hurricane Center (https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/www.nhc.noaa.gov) or FEMA (https://community.fema.gov/).

The attorneys in our Condominium, Cooperative, and Homeowner Association Law Group are ready to assist you and your association in preparing for the next storm. Cohen & Grigsby, P.C. with offices in Naples, Florida and Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, wishes you and yours a safe, enjoyable, and storm-free summer! To receive future news alerts, please send an e-mail to bulletins@cohenlaw.com.

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